

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

At Charleston

A PROCLAMATION

By the Governor

WHEREAS, according to W. Va. Code St. R. § 143-1-14.1.b, when Christmas Day occurs on a Tuesday, the employees of this State shall be given time off on the last half of the scheduled workday immediately preceding Christmas Day; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of the hard work accomplished by the employees of this State throughout the year Two Thousand Twelve, and in acknowledgement of the holiday season, it is fitting that the public employees of the State of West Virginia be permitted to generally cease business for the entire workday of Monday, the twenty-fourth day of December, Two Thousand Twelve, to spend an extended and enjoyable holiday with their loved ones.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, EARL RAY TOMBLIN, pursuant to W. Va. Code § 2-2-1 and by virtue of the authority vested in me as the Governor of the State of West Virginia, do hereby **PROCLAIM** and **ORDER** that the public employees of this State may be excused from their work duties on Monday, the twenty-fourth day of December, Two Thousand Twelve, without charge against accrued annual leave; and do further

PROCLAIM that the aforementioned **ORDER** shall not affect private businesses, local governments and other entities and individuals not employed by the State of West Virginia; nor shall it affect the work requirements of those public employees who may be called to duty to safeguard the health, safety, and welfare of West Virginia's citizenry and compensated in accordance with the legislative rules established by the West Virginia Division of Personnel; however, in accordance with W. Va. Code § 2-2-1(c), county commissions may designate Monday, the twenty-fourth day of December, Two Thousand Twelve, as a day of time off for county employees without charge against accrued annual leave, and the courts may treat the day as if it were a legal holiday.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of West Virginia to be affixed.



DONE at the Capitol in the City of Charleston, State of West Virginia, this the eleventh day of December, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twelve, and in the One Hundred Fiftieth year of the State.

Earl Ray Tomblin
GOVERNOR

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Natalie E. Emmert
SECRETARY OF STATE